



**H.R. 1: A KEY VOTE FOR ENTREPRENEURS AND SMALL BUSINESSES**  
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To the Member of the United States House of Representatives:

The Small Business & Entrepreneurship Council (SBE Council) urges you to vote in favor of H.R. 1, the “Tax Cuts and Jobs Act.” A vote in favor of H.R. 1 is a vote for strong economic growth, entrepreneurship, and healthy investment. This important legislation will boost the competitiveness and sustainability of small businesses across the United States. **H.R. 1 will be considered a KEY VOTE for SBE Council’s “Ratings of the 115<sup>th</sup> Congress.”**

H.R. 1 is critical to fueling the optimism of entrepreneurs and the capital they need to expand their businesses. In addition, the strong pro-growth attributes of H.R. 1 will bolster the confidence of Americans to launch new businesses. Our gap analysis research finds there are 3.4 million “missing businesses” in the United States due to the dearth in entrepreneurial activity over the past decade. A strong economy and sustained growth will improve the conditions necessary for people to take risks – both for launching new businesses and investing in these startups.

November is National Entrepreneurship Month. There is no better opportunity for the U.S. House to honor small businesses and entrepreneurs, and America’s heritage of supporting our risk-takers and innovators, than to pass tax relief and reform.

Thank you for your consideration and support of America’s small businesses and helping to rebuild our spirit of entrepreneurship.

Sincerely,

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